COUNCIL OF NEIGHORHOODS MEETING MINUTES –JUNE 24, 2019



Members in Attendance:

Carol Jensen – Bayside Arthur Olsen – Pinehurst Andrea Tucker – Port Gardner Gary James – Pinehurst

Jim Grieco – Twin Creeks Nekia Williams-Wolle – Riverside

Victor Harris – Port Gardner Pamela Lynn – Riverside Karen McAllister - Bayside Dana Oliver – Silver Lake

Michael Trujillo- Cascade View Dennis Dudder – So Forest Park & View

Citlalli Zarate Weber – Delta Ridge/Madison

Mary Fosse – Delta George Lockeman – Valley View Tom Norcott – Harborview- Seahurst- Vanessa Randall – Valley View

Glenhaven Stefi Hallstrom - View Ridge/Madison Colleen Kain – Harborview- Seahurst- Jeanette Burton – Westmont/Holly

Glenhaven Christina Strand - Bayside
Andrew Moe– Lowell Dana Oliver – Silver Lake

Sara Steuben – Lowell
Robin Rigdon – Northwest

Staff:

Wendy McClure Carol Thomas

Excused:

Linda War Bonnet John VanPatten
Chris Geray Linden Kimbrough

Guests: N/A

Called to Order: 4:01 p.m.

I. APPROVALS & COMMENTS

Carol Jensen opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. She thanked Jim Grieco for serving as past chair, Andrea and Victor as new officers. Agenda approved. Minutes approval delayed to July.

Andrea Moran – Port Gardner neighborhood – Spoke about affordable housing vs open space. Options for developing land using public property has costs, including loss of open space. Regional development should not eliminate public open space that provides social and environmental benefits. State legislation passed in 2018 opened door for supportive housing on public land. Including on areas not compatible with single-family neighborhoods. No public process to review development, details are worked out with hearing examiner. Norton Ave development was proposed without public input. Currently used for community gathering spaces. No parking or transit opportunities. Proponents of high-density housing may be setting precedent. See attached notes from speaker.



II. SAFETY MINUTE and CLIMATE MINUTE

4:09 Safety Minute - Drive carefully, watch out for pedestrians.

Climate minute – https://www.drawdown.org/solutions-summary-by-rank

III. ADMINISTRATION

4:10 Mayor will be attending CON on alternate months. Michael moved that the Mayor's office send someone from Mayor's office/administration when Mayor cannot attend CON. Motion Passed.

IV. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON JUDY TUOHY, Council Vice President

4:15 Councilmember Tuohy could not attend. Councilmember Bader had planned to attend the meeting to represent Council. However, he was not able to attend, due to traffic.

V. CITY & COMMUNITY ITEMS

4:35 <u>July 4 celebration and other summer fun – Cultural Arts - Carol Thomas</u> – Carol described the 4th of July parade plans – over 90 entries, many marching bands, drill teams, best parade ever this year. 11AM start time. Pre-parade entertainment motorcycle. In-service Fire department vehicles will be in front of parade and at end of parade. Festival will occur again out at Legion Park, with food booths, multicultural stage, five different acts on stage. Barge location and tug for launching fireworks. Everett Transit offering free shuttles from Everett Station and Everett Community College.

Started summer concerts last Thursday, 6:30 - 8:30 Port collecting \$2 for parking. Food truck festival is hosted by Live in Everett.

Housing Moratorium – Legal - David Hall, Deputy City Attorney – In 2016, City Council changed the zoning code to allow supportive housing including in residential zones, on property owned by a governmental entity (including school districts). A couple weeks ago, the Council passed a moratorium in residential zones, to allow time to consider impacts of the ordinance. City ordinance allowed the Catholic Community Housing project to build on Berkshire in Pinehurst. The new project at Norton Avenue brought it back to the surface – City Council passed a 6- month moratorium - the City can't accept or consider any applications. On July 10, a public hearing before City Council is scheduled to take comment. Meeting is at 6:30pm.Council will hear public comment with discussion following hearing, and staff input. Council can decide to leave the moratorium n place for full 6 months, or consider a specific approach.



Andrea – commented that any governmental entity can follow this process, and the project goes directly to hearing examiner, not the usual full public process. Hearing will include opportunity for public comment.

George asked about private property available for supportive housing, does the moratorium affect private property? David Hall responded that the current requirements would not allow construction in single-family residential areas. July topic could include land use and zoning focus.

Neighborhood Notifications Process – Wendy reviewed how to make use of the website to send out notices to specific neighborhoods. Neighborhood enewsletters can be posted to individual pages and are also sent out to the subscribers for individual neighborhood news.

City Community Calendar posting – Wendy reviewed the process for posting community events on the City website calendar, and encouraged neighborhood groups to post their events, meetings and special celebrations on the website.

VI. TEAM WORK – UPDATES & NEW IDEAS

5:00 School partnerships/Diversity Outreach – School kids coming to the NNO at HSG. Have had school rep at their meetings about Cascade High School. Staffing changes at Cascade and Emerson with new principal. Madison elementary held a volunteer fair where all the volunteers met each other.

<u>Better Communications Among Neighborhoods</u> – Jim Grieco – will be contacting volunteers, with a report next month.

Monte Cristo Update 2019 – Jim Grieco – One week to the deadline for nomination submittals, so far 46 nominations received. May get a lot this week. Yesterday's meeting was cancelled. New meeting date is Sunday, July 14 at library at 3pm. Nominations so far include Bayside, Cascade View, HSG, S Forest Park, Silver Lake, and Northwest. People were encouraged to send in nominations.

<u>Social Practicals - Save Dates</u> Sept 30, Oct 29 or 30, Jan 30, 2020, April 30, 2020, Sept and Oct 29, 2020. Executive committee discussed upcoming topics. Projected topics include Civil Discourse in Sept., October 29 or 30 could be Council of Neighborhoods facilitated retreat, focused on goal setting and what we want to work on. What vision might we develop with our group?

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS



5:15 ✓ Everett Faith in Action, Sept 24 at 7pm. First Presbyterian. There will be a celebration of accomplishments in past year, such as SafeStreets, Carnegie Resource Center, etc. Church is located at Rockefeller at Wall Street

✓ Upcoming Events

- Civil Discourse Wendy and Mindy Van Wingen from the library are working on an event to occur this fall, to learn more about civil discourse. The goal is to encourage respectful conversations, even where participants see things differently.
- O Downtown Everett Association (DEA) is holding a community visioning forum for down town area Dana Oliver described the vent which will ask how could we make downtown to be a place people want to be? The focus is on place making. Doors open at 6pm, come talk with neighbors. Forum starts at 6:30PM at Narrative Coffee. Survey to fill out to inform topics. Small venue. Main Street program is model for the forum.
- Shake Out will be held on Oct 17 at 10:17am. Victor announced flyers available for disaster preparedness.

VIII. NEIGHBORHOOD REPORTS

5:20 **Reports:**

Bayside: 18 people attended, had police and fire report, had speakers from Everett Parks - Lori Cummings, and Bob Leonard, discussed Clark Park gazebo, removing fence effort. Local business brought coffee. No meeting in July or August. NNO will be at Wetmore Plaza this year. Clark Park Active Facebook shows activities and upcoming events to activate the park and try to make a positive space for community and families.

Cascade View / Twin Creeks: 9 people attended, had police officer, Fire, no council member or school rep. Toured 911 SnoPac Center, good experience. Cascade View is having primary candidates' forum at July meeting, including county and city council, several elected candidates. Very successful event in the past. Everyone welcome.

Delta: Had meeting on June 18 with 17 people, councilmember attended, Cory Rettenmier from Everett Parks spoke. Planning a July 6th clean up. Shakespeare in the Park will be held at 5:30pm August 3rd, at Wiggums Hollow.

Evergreen: not present

Harborview-Seahurst-Glenhaven: HSG No meeting in June, or in July. Next get together will be NNO at Howarth Park. Ice cream social is the plan, scaling back on food this year. Want to connect with those who have done ice cream socials. Had

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a weeding party at Pump house at Seahurst Ave at Mukilteo Blvd. Got highlighted in Live in Everett.

Lowell: Had meeting with 9 people, including fire and police. No meeting in July and August but are hosting NNO event.

Northwest: Over 40 people attended. Police attended, speaker from Providence Hospital who announced that the hospital is adding beds on 9th floor, and starting to charge for visitor parking. Valet parking. Mother of All Garage Sales is in August.

Pinehurst: Meeting tomorrow, at Cascade Boys and Girls Club. Housing project manager from Clare's Place on Berkshire will be speaker. Meeting in July with WSDOT regarding 526-corridor improvement project. NNO in August.

Port Gardner: Met and had 156 people. Police and school liaison, guest speaker was Ed Petersen who talked about the HopeWorks plans for Norton Ballfield. No meeting in July or August. NNO is being planned for Norton Playfield.

Riverside: 11 people attended, had elections, police and Councilmember Bader, no fire or school rep. Brock Howell spoke about Everett Station District Alliance. Light rail station could be in Riverside. Great speaker. No July or August meetings. July 13 garage sale. NNO will be at Garfield Park on Aug 6, and will include bicycle helmet fitting with Sharing Wheels. Police passed out flyer on RVs.

Silver Lake: Had 21 people. Held last meeting in May, no meeting until Sept. Have not had police for a couple months. Councilmember Tuohy attended. Fire attended. Parks staff came out to talk about hydroplane races on lake. Community response is divided about expanding that event to two days. Parks decided to change signage on lake to allow dogs off leash in the Sullivan park, some have objected to that. Not having NNO event this year.

South Forest Park: 9 attend, Abigail Cooley was guest speaker,, councilperson dropped in. Discussed Westridge lot owned by 98 people, 15 helped with successful clean up homeless encampments. Heavy equipment operator cleaned up site after the clean-up. No meeting in July, no NNO.

Valley View: No meeting but will have garage sale on July 20. Will send people to participate in NNO at Pinehurst. Next meeting in Sept.

View Ridge / Madison: Had 16 people, guest speaker was Abigail Cooley, Library director. They also discussed and planned for National Night Out. Clare's Place/CCS has asked about coming to meeting. May have a meeting in July.

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Westmont / Holly: Held a June meeting, had 12 people, had fire and councilperson, also had Abigail Cooley, Director of Library. She updated the group on progress of redevelopment of branch library. Open to public possibly in late fall or winter.

IX. FIVE ITEMS TO REPORT

5:40

- 1. Supportive Housing Waiver for government entities July 10 public hearing at City Council
- 2. Jim Iles retired June 30; new City Attorney will start July 3.
- 3. Neighborhood notifications encourage neighbors to sign up online on the City website
- 4. Faith in Action Forum save the date Sept 24 and Civil Discourse Forum
- 5. Shakespeare in the Park, Wiggums Holly Park, Aug 3rd. All welcome.

X. ADJOURN 5:55 p.m.

Next meeting July 22, 4 PM to 6 PM